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WHY DID RIBBENTROP MAKE HIS SPEECH? - NEW NAZI "LIAR-IN-CHIEF" IS NOT SO SKILFUL AS HIS PREDECESSOR

NEW AIR FRANCE SERVICE

H.K.-Kunming

Special to H.K. Daily Press
Arrangements between Air France and the Chinese Government for the initiation of a Hongkong-Kunming service have, it is learned, been satisfactorily concluded.

It is not known when the new service will start, but it is understood that a weekly service is the basis of the scheme.

A new machine of greater capacity has been ordered by the French company. Planes of two other companies, the China National Aviation Corporation and the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, are now operating regular services between Hongkong and the interior.

P.I.—N.E.I. LINE
Special to H.K. Daily Press
TOKYO, Apr. 29 (Havas)—A New York despatch to the Chugoku Shogyo declares that Mr. Francis Sayre, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, suggested to Washington the establishment of an airline linking the Philippines with the Netherlands East Indies.

The newspaper comments that such a line would cause repercussions in Japan in view of the present diplomatic tension between Japan and N.E.I. and the question of Japanese immigration to the Islands.

CAPTURED NAZI SHIPS RENAMED

British Wireless reports that 20 of the 31 captured German merchant vessels have now been thoroughly overhauled and renamed and are in service for the Allies carrying munitions or food. Refitting of the remainder is almost complete.

The Shipping Minister, in a speech on Saturday, referred to the unsatisfactory nature of the crew accommodation in more than half of the captured ships and the necessity for extensive structural alterations.

NEW CRUISERS FOR DEFENCE OF D.E.I.

BATAVIA, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—The People's Council approved the adoption of the Bill submitted by the Dutch Government providing for the construction of three new battle-cruisers for the defence of the Dutch East Indies.

The Nationalists abstained from voting.

MOSCOW, Apr. 29 (Havas).—Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, the United States Ambassador, left for Washington on holiday. He will pass through Bucharest and Genoa.

MASTERY OF SEAS BY ALLIES

The giant Cunard liner Queen Mary (81,235 tons) dropped anchor in Table Bay on Sunday after completing a record voyage from New York which she had left 12 days earlier. The previous record for this voyage was 19 days.

In South Africa the completion of this voyage, without escort, is acclaimed as a striking demonstration of the Allies' mastery of the seas. (British Wireless).

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Mr. R. S. Hudson, Minister for Shipping.

MR. HUDSON MEANS BUSINESS

Commenting on the "excellent and promising" tone of the Shipping Minister's speech on Saturday, the Manchester Guardian says:

"As the commentator of the Columbia Broadcasting Corporation caustically remarks, the Germans are so lucky that they find convenient documents wherever they go."

"The violator of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Denmark, however, is not as credible a witness as adversary of aggression."

LAUGHED OUT OF COURT

The Times think von Ribbentrop's speech was made for the benefit of the bewildered German public because the German reasons for the onslaught upon a small neutral were proved by events to be completely untrue.

The Times adds that von Ribbentrop is being laughed out of Court by public opinion in the world. This is the man who told his master that Great Britain and France and not fight, that after the conquest of Poland she would eagerly accept his peace offer and that American supplies can be withheld from the Allies.

Having been proved mistaken on every one of these points, he still argued that France would leave Great Britain in the lurch (and directed his policy accordingly), that the Dominions would secede from the Mother Country and that the whole world would turn against Britain who was the oppressor of neutrals.

LESS SKILFUL LIAR

Dr. Goebbels is discredited and von Ribbentrop has taken his place, but he is even less skilful than his predecessor in the post of Liar-in-Chief to the Nazi regime. The moral which neutral Governments is likely to draw from the Norwegian episode so far as it has gone will be most different from what the Nazi Minister had hoped.

Every day it becomes clearer that if the Norwegian Government and people had been able to rely upon their loyalty and determination of their defences, even though Norway is ranked among the weakest of the neutrals, the German attack would have been held up or beaten off altogether with the aid of Allied help which could then have deployed with far greater speed and effect. Even more probably the invasion never began.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MOSLEMS IN INDIA

Special to H.K. Daily Press

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Havas)—A message from Delhi states that the Committee of the Pan-Indian Moslem Independent Conference unanimously voted a resolution opposing the political dismemberment of India.

The resolution, which was suggested by the President of the Committee, states that India needs geographical and political homogeneity being indiscriminately the home of all citizens regardless of race or religion.

It concludes that Moslems must realise that they have the same responsibilities as any other inhabitants of India.

NEW ITALIAN ENVOY IN BERLIN

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INTER-SCHOOLS SPORTS

GOVERNOR'S SHIELD WON BY WAH YAN

Many Surprises Feature Fine Day's Sports

Challenged by five other schools right up to the last event of the day, the 1,200 metres medley relay race, Wah Yan College, helped on by a magnificent last lap by Lam Kwok-leung, scored their first inter-school sports victory at the Caroline Hill Stadium yesterday, winning from St. Stephen's by just one point.

St. Stephen's had no team in the relay race. Five other schools, D. B. S., C. B. S., King's, La Salle competed and the eight points for first place was sufficient to give the relay victory the Governor's Shield.

Two good efforts over 200 metres. 3. Lai Chung-yin (Wah Yan), by Chan Yee-fong and Lai Chung-yin for Wah Yan failed to put cord. Time: 24 seconds. (Equal record.) Shot Put: 1. R. Silva (St. Joseph's) 37 feet 3 inches, 2. Poon Sa-on (King's) 36 feet, 6½ inches. Kwok-leung proved equal to the Sa-on (King's) 36 feet, 6½ inches and steadily caught up 3. Loh Sing-koo (King's) 36 feet, 5 inches.

400 Metres: 1. Sin Kwok-bun (King's), 2. Philip Tavares (St. Joseph's), 3. J. Macaulay (D. B. S.). Time: 57 3/5 secs.

High Jump: 1. Wolfgang Yne (St. Stephen's), 2. (Tied) Fong Chi-hung (Wah Yan) and Poon Sa-on (King's). Height: 5 feet 7½ inches.

MANY SURPRISES. The meet was featured by innumerable surprises. First,

King's College failed to win more than a point from the long jump where eight points looked probable. Then, Kwok Chi-hung, inter-school record holder for the pole vault and winner of the event last year with 9 feet 11½ inches, failed to survive the eliminating jumps. Fong Chi-hung, Wah Yan's high jumper, won the event at an inch below the record, but later could do no better than tie for second place at his specialty.

THE SHOT PUT

R. Silva of La Salle dealt King's a further blow when he moved ahead of the College's two representatives in the Shot Put to win at 37 feet 3 inches.

Sin Kwok-bun, King's young quarter miler, came out first in the 400 Metres, beating a very smart field by a good yard. Tavares of St. Joseph's was two yards ahead of Macaulay and two other highly regarded quarter-milers failed to come in the scoring list.

L. Silva of La Salle provided the surprise of the day when he out ran Khan Mohammed of Queen's to win second place at 1,500 Metres and be clocked unofficially at 4 mins. 52 2/5 secs. for the distance.

A GOOD JUMP

Wolfgang Yne won the high jump at 5 feet 7½ inches to come within a quarter-inch of the record, but failed in two attempts at 5 feet 8 inches. But, he won the high hurdles in the interval, and was well satisfied with the result.

Mr. C. G. Soills, the Director of Education, in presenting the prizes, congratulated all the schools competing for the keenness that marked the day in a competition where the championship was not decided till the very last event.

RESULTS

100 Metres: 1. Clifton Large (D. B. S.), 2. A. P. Silva (La Salle), 3. R. Lobo (La Salle). Time: 11 4/5 secs.

Long Jump: 1. Chan King-cheung (St. Stephen's) 19 feet 5 inches, 2. Wan Kei-hing (Wah Yan) 19 feet 2 inches, 3. Poon Sa-on (King's) 19 feet 1 inch.

800 Metres: 1. J. Rousseau (C. B. S.), 2. Khan Mohammed (Queen's), 3. A. Odell (C. B. S.). Time: 2 mins. 15 3/5 secs.

Pole Vault: 1. Fong Chi-hung (Wah Yan), 2. Chan King-cheung (St. Stephen's), 3. Marcus Ng (La Salle). Height: 9 feet 10½ inches.

200 Metres: 1. Clifton Large (D. B. S.), 2. A. P. Silva (La Salle).

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 11th and MONDAY, 13th May, 1940, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 2nd May, 1940.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

SPORTS



Snapped by our candid camera at the Valley Races.

Tsui Wai-pui In Final For Fifth Time

YAN-PUI LOSES IN FOUR SETS

Tsui Wai-pui, holder of the Colony singles tennis championship, qualified to meet S. A. Rumjahn in the final tomorrow when he defeated his brother, Tsui Yan-pui, last year's runner-up, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3, 6-4 in four exciting sets on the Stand Court yesterday.

Neither of the brothers gave anything like a sparkling display of tennis, and, at times, the standard fell far below tournament play, but the champion was doggedly consistent while his younger brother was inclined to be erratic. The latter had by far the better service which was his main asset.

CLEVER PLACING

Play was confined mostly to the baseline. The driving was not exceptionally forceful but the placing was clever and some bright tactics were adopted by both players.

Tsui Wai-pui won the first set 6-4, but was completely outplayed in the second which Yan-pui captured after seven games.

The third and fourth sets were ding-dong affairs in which the score rose very gradually. It must be mentioned, however, that in the last set the champion was leading 4-1 before Yan-pui drew level winning the eighth game of that match when Wai-pui was leading 40-love. The champion thereafter drew away to win 6-4.

NO DECISION

It will be recalled that for 47 games last Wednesday the Tsui brothers battled for the right of entry into the final but no decision was reached the fifth set being 4-4 when falling light intervened.

Tsui Wai-pui won the title in 1934, 1936, 1938, 1939.

ARMY AREA SPORTS FINALS TODAY

The Final day's programme of the Area Athletic Meeting will be held at the Polo Ground, Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m. today.

The alternative dates on all invitations issued for the "At Home" on Thursday, April 25, should now read Tuesday, April 30, and not Wednesday, May 1.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

ATHLETICS.—Hongkong Area (Army) Athletic Championship Finals (Polo ground, Boundary St.) 2.30 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Meeting of European Y. M. C. A. Swimming Section (Wes, Loungie) 5.45 p.m.

TENNIS.—Club Singles Championship, Final, M. Pugh v. B. C. Fay (Stand Court).

TOMORROW

SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association's Weekly Spoon & Practice Shoot, at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony Open Singles Championship, Final, S. A. Rumjahn v. Tsui Wai-pui (Stand Court) 4.30 p.m. Club Handicap Singles, Final, C. B. Nicholson and G. V. Hobbs, -28 or V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong, -15 v. E. O'M. Deane and N. Spence, -45 (8).

Allure (Beary), Credentia (Elliott), Drawing Prize (Jones), Godiva (Marks), Golden Penny (Gordon Richards), Lyric (Cliff Richards), Merry Devon (Lowrey), Thyse (Harry Wrage), Tornade (Perryman), Valerie (Weston). There are no jockeys for Dame de Treffle and Great Truth.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1940.

RIFLE SHOOTING

SUNDAY'S MEETING ON KOWLOON CITY RANGE

Sergt. Russell Wins Cup For Highest Nett Score

A very successful shoot took place on Sunday when the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment very kindly organised the programme and gave all the prizes which were presented by Lt.-Col. H. W. M. Stewart, O.B.E., M.C.

Ninety-eight members took part. Sgt. Russell, H.K.F. and Cpl. Langford, 1/Mx. 178 Nett scores.

REVOLVER COMPETITION

6 Rounds in 2 minutes at 20 yds. Tansley, 19; Gowans, 15.

6 Rounds in 8 seconds at 10 yds. Tansley, 17; Gowans, 21.

Winner: Tie—L/Bdr. Tansley 19 and 17; Sgt. Gowans 15 and 21.

CLAY BIRD SHOOT

Open, 1st, Sug/Lt. B. M. Bateman, H.K.N.V.F.; 2nd, Lt. R. R. W. Ashley, R.N.V.R.

Handicap: Lt. C. B. Beer, 1st Kuan Rifles.

Nett spoons were won by Sgt. Russell, H.K.P. for S.R. (b) rifle and by Mr. Jones, D.R.C.

Silver Spoon: Highest Nett Score at 500 yds.—S.R. (b) Capt. Guscott, 1/Mx.; S.R. (a) L/Sgt. Leong, H.K.P. (R. Count-out).

Handicap spoons went to Capt. Guscott, 1/Mx., Sub/Lt. G. J. P. Carey, H.K.N.V.F., Cpl. W. J. Gash, R.A.F. for S.R. (b), and to Mr. V. R. J. Merritt, D.R.C., A. C. W. H. Golder, R.A.F., Sgt. G. G. Clarke, H.K.P., L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios, H.K.V.D.C., P. C. Bachan Singh, H.K.P., and Pte. N. D. Booker, H.K.V.D.C. for S.R. (a).

TEAM COMPETITION

3 S.R. (b) and 3 S.R. (a). Won by the 1st Bn. Mx. Regt. Silver Spoon to each member of the team.

PAIRS COMPETITION

Silver Spoon to each pair-highest nett aggregate.

Leading Scores on Sunday were as follows:

HCap. 200 yds. 500 yds. Total

S.R. (b)

Sgt. Russell, F. E. Scr. 47 46 93*

Capt. Guscott, R. T. 2 43 49 92*

Sub/Lt. Carey, G. J. P. Scr. 44 48 92*

F/Sgt. Tollison, F. Scr. 43 48 91

Mr. Evans, A. F. Scr. 45 46 91

A.S.P. (R) Lole D. Scr. 45 46 91

C/Sgt. Hale, P. Scr. 47 44 91

Capt. Sequeira, F. P. Scr. 44 46 90

Sgt. Roberts, F. Scr. 44 45 89

Capt. Le Seelleur, A. J. Scr. 42 46 88

L/Sgt. Nunn, W. R. 2 42 46 88

Lt. Dawson, G. 1 44 44 88

Cpl. Gash, W. J. 3 45 43 88*

S.I. (R) Chan, A. C. Scr. 43 44 87

Mr. Penrith, W. Scr. 44 43 87

B/M. Kilford, W. Scr. 44 42 87

L/Sgt. Puran Singh Scr. 45 42 86

Mr. Gurd, J. A. Scr. 43 43 86

Sub/Lt. Bateman, B. M. 2 44 42 86

S.R. (a)

Mr. Jones, H. S. 6 45 42 87*

Mr. Merritt, V. R. J. 7 44 42 86

Cpl. Langford, R. Scr. 41 44 86

A. C. Golder, W. H. 9 44 40 84

Sgt. Brereton, G. E. 3 39 44 83

Sgt. Wall, J. R. 4 39 44 83

Sgt. Clarke, G. G. 12 41 42 83

L/Sgt. Remedios, J. D. 7 41 41 82

Mr. Medhurst, R. M. 8 44 38 82

L/Sgt. Leong, O. T. 4 36 44 80

Sgt. Baker, T. Scr. 39 41 80

P. C. Bachan Singh 9 39 41 80

Eds. Bolam, D. 6 37 42 79

Sgt. Sargent, W. T. 5 40 39 79

Cpl. Berry, J. N/A 39 39 78

Gnr. Landon, E. Mr. Gillian, W. K. Scr. 42 36 78

Pte. Booker, N. D. 14 37 40 77

Pte. Cruz-Sequeira, V. A. Da ... 6 39 38 77

*Winner of Nett Spoon.

**Winner of Handicap Spoon.

Winner of * or ** will have his handicap reduced by one point.

U.S. Baseball Results

NEW YORK, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—The following are the results of baseball matches played yesterday.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R. H.	E.
Chicago	5	8
St. Louis	7	11
Philadelphia	2	4
Boston	3	9

NANLING RECAPTURED BY CHINESE TROOPS

Japanese Reinforcements Are Steadily Held

TUNKI, ANHWEI, April 29 (Central) — After recapturing Nanling, 32 miles south-west of Wuhan in south Anhwei, Chinese forces are mopping up the remnant Japanese in the suburbs. In an attack on Tungtun, and Sanlitien, south-west of Nanling, during the weekend, they inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and put the remnant to flight.

Part of the fleeing Japanese, succeeding in joining forces with the reinforcements from Fanchang, have been attacked in the hilly regions near Chinghsien, south-east of Nanling.

The reinforced Japanese from Welchin and Yingchiawei, who continued their push toward Tsingyang on April 28, are being engaged by the Chinese in the rough terrain near Tsingyang.

Spirited fighting has been in progress near Shouyangkwan, south of Fengtai, on the north bank of the Hwai River in west Anhwei, where the Chinese have launched a drive against the Japanese.

More than 200 casualties have been inflicted on the enemy who are reported to be steadily falling back. The Chinese are pressing toward Shoushien, south of Fengtai.

COUNTER-OFFENSIVE IN SHANSI

LOYANG, Apr. 29 (Central) — Chinese forces in the Chungtiao Mountain regions in south Shansi launched a general counter-offensive on the Japanese on April 27, and according to latest reports, they have made sweeping advances.

Yenlischen, Japanese stronghold near Maotsingtu, has been re-occupied. Prior to their retreat, the Japanese are reported to have cremated some 700 of their dead. Several other points in the vicinity have also been recaptured by the Chinese.

LUCHWANCHEN RE-TAKEN

After being reinforced with 5,000 men, the Japanese fiercely attacked the Chinese positions near Maotsingtu on April 26. Japanese guns and planes were brought into action, severely bombing the Chinese lines. Despite the overwhelming odds, the Chinese succeeded in steadfastly holding their ground.

In south-east Shansi, the Japanese have also met with setbacks. Luchwanchen, near Tsing-

Murder And Suicide Attempt Fails

CHUNGKING, Apr. 29 (Central) — Another puppet scandal was caused in Shanghai by the suicide and murder attempt of the widowed daughter-in-law of Yen Chia-chih, Vice-Minister of Finance, of the puppet government, to end her own life and that of her 8-year-old daughter last Friday, according to a Shanghai message.

Yen's daughter-in-law took an overdose of poison and induced her daughter to take the same drug, but mother and daughter were both discovered and sent to hospital.

Yen's daughter-in-law, who is only 27, decided to end her life because Yen suddenly stopped his monthly allowance to her. Repeated requests for Yen to continue his remittance were refused.

Cowardly Nazi War Tactics

WOMEN, CHILDREN AS "COVERS"

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter) — A Norwegian High Command communique says that during the fighting on the Narvik front on Thursday, the Germans, in a counter-attack, forced civilians, including women and children, to march in front in order to cover their advance; thus some of our advance posts were forced to surrender. The soldiers who surrendered were afterwards used as a cover by Germans in the same way.

"After the first consternation, our troops continued fighting bravely, causing the enemy heavy losses."

The Germans abandoned Lapphagen and withdrew to Gratangen.

The communique continued that the Norwegians took some war material, and the Norwegian air force bombed and machine-gunned some German detachments.

Undefended Towns Are Raided

GERMAN METHODS OF WARFARE

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Reuter) — The Norwegian telegraph agency states that German bombers made a fresh wave of raids during the week-end.

The undefended town of Alesund was subjected to a terrific attack lasting over two hours. Six planes crossed and recrossed the city, dropping 500-pound bombs. Many private houses were completely destroyed and many others made uninhabitable. A large church which had an enormous cross clearly marked on the roof, received a direct hit from a low-flying plane.

People in the streets were machine-gunned and Red Cross workers trying to care the injured were forced to return to shelter owing to machine-gun fire.

Molde was heavily bombed on Sunday.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

PARIS, April 29 (Reuter) — An official communiqué issued on Sunday states that there is nothing to report except some artillery fire and a local encounter west of the Vosges in the course of which we inflicted losses on the enemy.

JAPANESE UNIT "BAGGED" On the south Hupeh front, Chinese forces successfully "bagged" a Japanese unit advancing to attack Kukungshan. The invaders were wiped out and their supplies seized.

The Japanese naval offensive from the Tungting Lake was a complete failure, scores of armed launches having been sunk by Chinese shore batteries, and by yesterday was reduced to cruising operations.

The few Japanese troops that succeeded in landing on the eastern bank of the lake were mopped up by the Chinese.

On the Tungtsishan sector, Chinese forces have recaptured Tamao, and are advancing steadily on Pingchingkwan.

JAPANESE PLANE BROUGHT DOWN

FANCHENG, April 29 (Central) — A Japanese bomber was hit by Chinese land forces in south Anhwei and crashed near Anking on April 21 according to a field report. The plane was wrecked and all three of the crew were killed.

RED CROSS UNIT

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter) — A British ambulance unit which was in Finland is now on its way to join the North-western Expeditionary Force in Norway. It consists of 20 ambulances and 60 doctors.

ALLIED WAR MACHINE WORKING SMOOTHLY

Thousands Of Troops Move Up To New Positions

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter) — The Allied war machine is working smoothly and efficiently along the front north of Trondheim, says Reuter's special correspondent with the Allied Forces there. Already many thousands of British and French troops have safely disembarked at Namsos and have moved up silently to points of action around Steinaker.

I was officially informed that the Allies were forced to abandon Steinaker itself last week because the town was completely gutted by German incendiary bombs, but strong British, French and Norwegian units are now in position, north of the town.

The correspondent, who reached the North Trondheim region after a most hazardous thirty-six hour journey from the Swedish frontier, by a horse-drawn sledge over the mountainous and frozen lakes of Central Norway, relates the story of the capture of a crew of three of a German bomber, forced to land on Lake Immingham by three Norwegian peasants and a Customs official, to whom the Germans politely surrendered, while concealed peasants covered the airmen with rifles.

There had been no raid on Namsos itself for four days although on one occasion German planes came over on reconnaissance flight at a great height. General Carton de Wart said that two German bombers had already been brought down by British fighters near Namsos.

The correspondent also tells of seeing a low-flying German bomber bombing a railway station and machine-gunning a British detachment, but describes all the British and French troops he had encountered as well-armed, well-equipped, confident and cheerful.

GENERAL

Further Allied Troops Landed At Andalsnes

In Spite Of Heavy Air Attacks By Germans

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter) — A War Office communiqué states that further enemy attacks in Gudbrandsdal Valley have been repulsed.

Further disembarkations have been successfully carried out, despite enemy air attacks at Andalsnes and on the lines of communication.

There has been enemy air action in Narvik, but this in no way interfered with the Allied operations.

Two points stand out in connection with this communiqué.

FAVOURABLE POSITION

In the first place it shows that for the second day in succession the Germans are being held up in the Gudbrandsdal Valley.

Secondly, the continued landings at Andalsnes, which is connected with the Gudbrandsdal Valley by railway, means that the Allied forces there can be either reinforced by rail or can fall back to stronger and well-supported positions.

The railway branches at Dombaas where the line runs north to Trondheim. Eighty miles along the line is a junction at Storen, where a light railway runs down into Osterdal Valley.

GREAT STRATEGIC VALUE

Both Dombaas and Storen are held by the Allies. Both are clearly of great strategic value.

The line is reported to be threatened by advance German units which, the main body having been held up in Osterdal Valley, were sent across the mountain tracks to cut it.

PARIS, April 29 (Reuter) — According to a Bucharest dispatch, armed guards at the Rumanian oil wells have been increased and ordered to fire on any stranger unable to give a satisfactory account of himself. From Sunday night, the Bucharest aerodrome was guarded by troops.

MADRID, April 29 (Reuter) — The death is announced of the celebrated Spanish painter, Joaquin Mir, aged 86.

BUCHAREST, April 29 (Reuter) — A German military plane landed at the aerodrome here on Sunday morning.

Two civilian passengers were welcomed by a number of Germans and the Rumanian Director of Civil Aviation.

The plane left for Sofia after half an hour.

Romanian official circles refused to comment, but according to a generally well-informed source, the plane brought copies of the German White Paper containing "evidence" of Britain's intentions in Scandinavia.

It adds that captured Norwegian batteries have been made ready for action.

NAZIS REINFORCED

BERLIN, April 29 (Reuter) — The official German news agency claims that German troops operating near Trondheim have received fresh reinforcements.

It adds that captured Norwegian batteries have been made ready for action.

HIGHER STUDIES IN HANOI

PARIS, April 29 (Havas) — The Minister for Colonies has submitted to the President of the Republic a decree, creating in Hanoi an Institute of Higher Social and Juridical Studies in the Far East. The Indo-Chinese University has been in existence since 1931 comprising a medievel faculty and a law faculty.

The new institute would have to be attached to the Hanoi Law Faculty, but placed under the patronage of the Paris Law Faculty, and will undertake special study of law and institutions of the proper Asiatic countries.

The first zone, running about twenty miles from the west to the east, and an average of eight miles from north to south, lies directly outside the Estonian port of Baltiski which Russia leased from Estonia under the Mutual Assistance Pact signed by the two countries a few months ago.

The second zone, which is about six miles from west to east, and twelve miles from north to south, is situated just east of Kolka Bay, and nearly opposite Helsingfors.

Two Danger Zones

GERMAN SHIPPING IS WARNED

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter) — The Berlin radio last night warned all German shipping that the two large areas off the Estonian Coast, in the Gulf of Finland, are to be regarded as danger zones, which German shipping must not enter.

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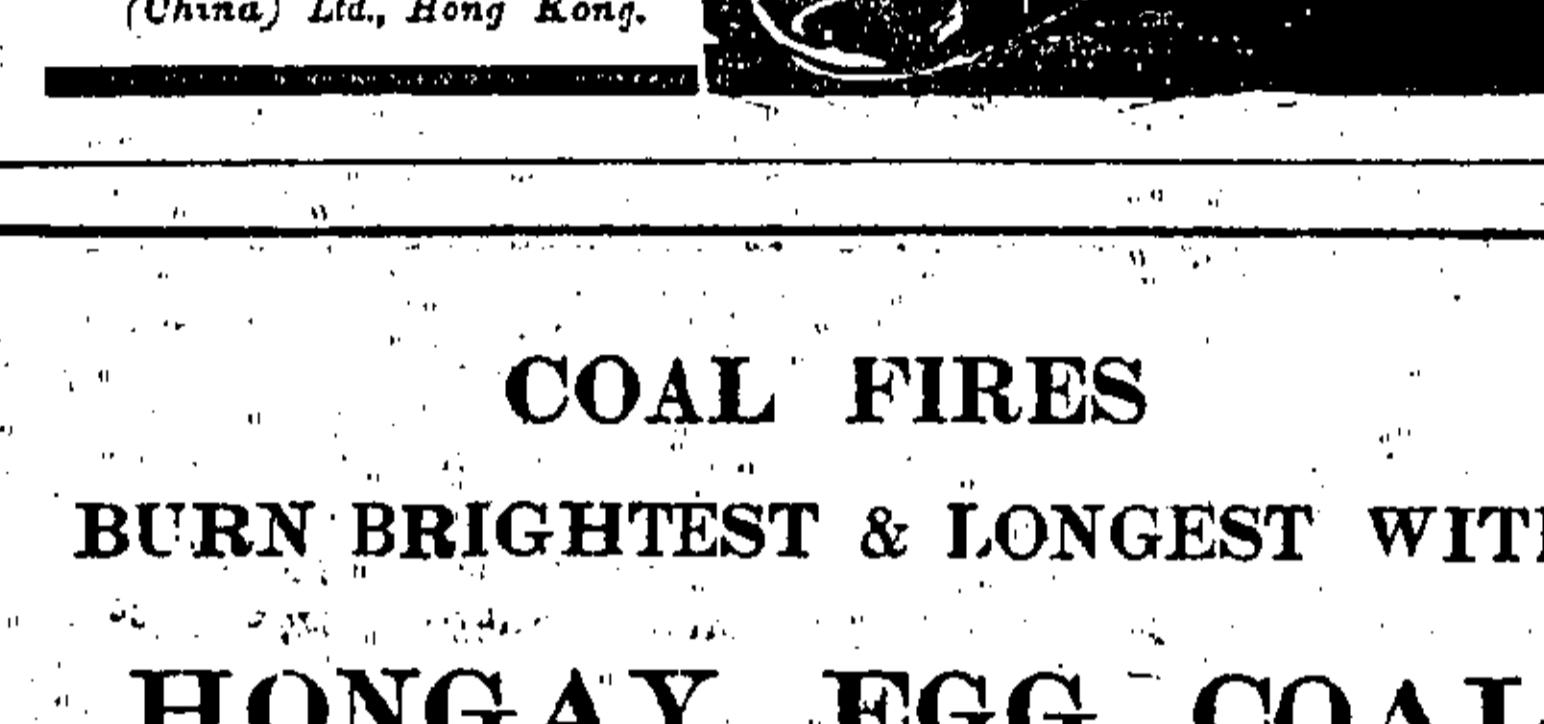
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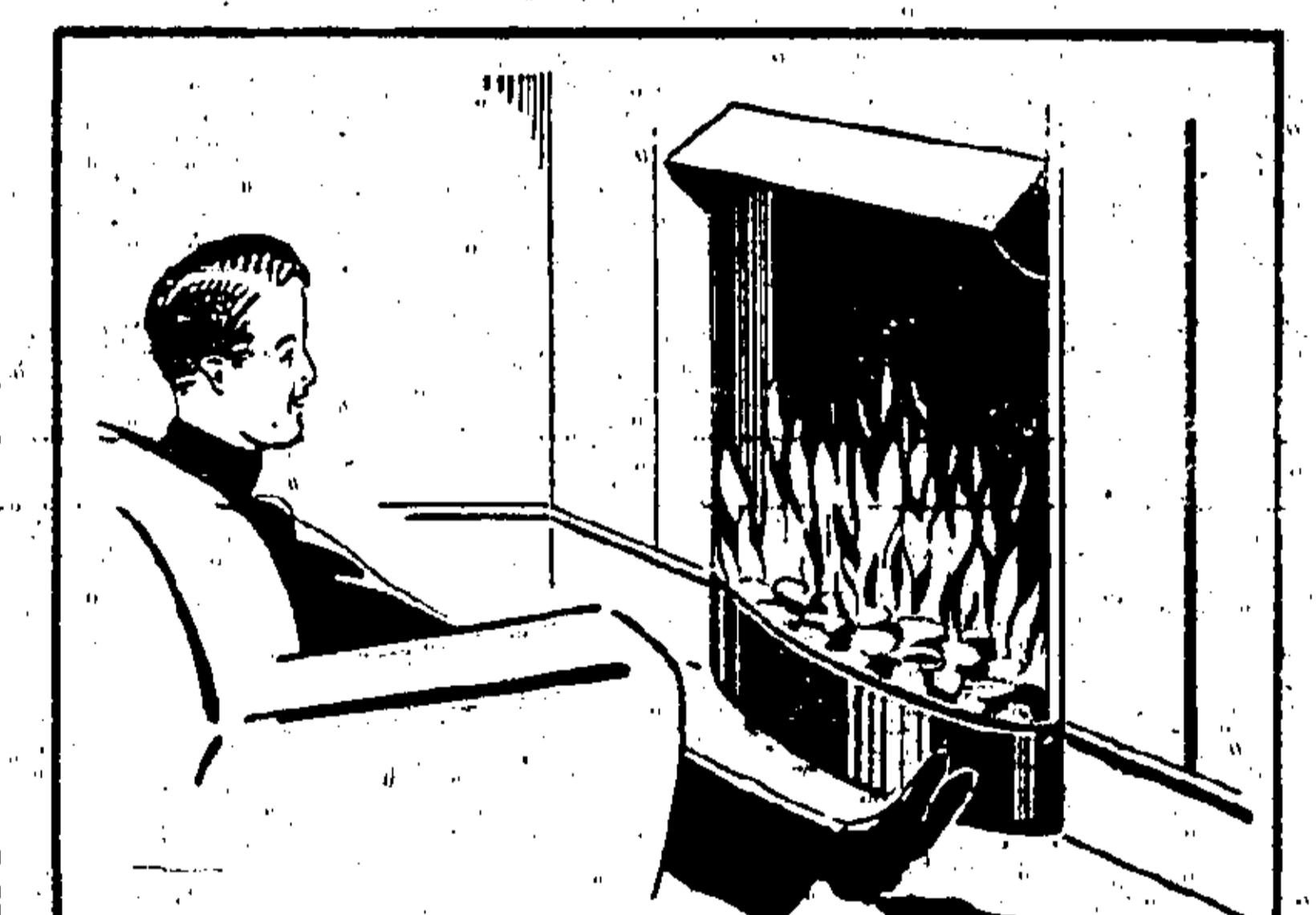
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Hongkong Gaol Murder Trial At Sessions

Lengthy Statement From Dock By Accused

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Accused was alleged to have stabbed a man, LAU CHUEN, on that date, resulting in the latter's death on March 9.

It was disclosed that the deceased was a principal witness for the Crown when Li was charged with the murder of the master of a money-changer's shop at Hung-hom in March, 1939. Li was then found guilty and condemned to death but the sentence was subsequently committed to life imprisonment.

The trial was before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, while Mr. George Shee instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the defence.

CROWN CASE

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. R. P. Phillips (foreman), M. Zak, J. C. Gardner, Tang King-man, U. Shiu-ki, Chen King-shing and Lau Chun-kwok.

Mr. Murphy said that at the time of the alleged stabbing, Lau was serving a sentence for keeping a heroin diwan. He had been in prison since June 26, 1939, and was due for discharge on February 5, the day after he was stabbed.

Li was also an inmate of Stanley Prison. In March, 1939 he was one of several men tried for murder and Lau, who was an accomplice, turned King's Evidence.

The events leading up to the death of Lau commenced on August 8 last, said Mr. Murphy, when he was attacked by Li. The incident occurred in the third ward, a place where Li had no right to be, and counsel suggested that he went there deliberately, sought out Li and attacked him.

On February 3 Lau was quartered in cell 78 in "F" Hall and Li in "D" Hall, a separate building. Li worked in the tailoring shop and on that day he was one of 30 persons detailed to remain after the rest of the party had finished work. The 30 men were later handed over to a prison guard to bring back to their cells.

DID NOT RETURN

Li, however, did not return to his cell. The officer in charge of "B" Hall found that Li's ticket had been removed, and his chopsticks and towel missing.

Meanwhile, Li had gone to "F" Hall where he told the officer in charge that he had just been discharged from hospital and that there was no room for him in "D" Hall. In point of fact Li had never been to hospital.

Li was placed in "F" Hall, and thus it came to be that both Li and Lau were in the same hall.

February 4, was a Sunday and there was no labour for prisoners. It was also the day before which Lau was to be released, and in accordance with the rules he was not allowed to join the other prisoners for morning exercise. He remained in his cell, No. 78.

Following exercise, the prisoners were led back to their respective cells and as the warden in charge was opening them one by one he heard a loud cry.

Li was seen to break from a column and rush across to cell 78. The warden saw something in his hand and he was also seen making a downward and forward striking movement with it. He was seized.

Lau was removed to Queen Mary Hospital, where he died on March 9, the cause of death being pneumonia and haemorrhage. Before he died, Lau made a declaration, accusing Li of having stabbed him.

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After Crown witnesses, consisting principally of prison warders, had given testimony, accused made a long statement from the dock in his own defence.

After recounting various events in connexion with the Hung-hom robbery in which he alleged that the deceased was the instigator, he said that when he saw Lau Chuen in prison he inquired of Lau the reason for his being there. Lau became annoyed.

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H.K. POLICE RESERVE

ORDERS BY THE HON. MR. T. H. KING, COMMISSIONER OF POLICE CHINESE COMPANY

Drill. Members of No. 3 Platoon will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, May 2 at 17.30 hours sharp under Sub-Inspector (R) Chan Chung Tung, Dress-Khaki Uniform, Cap with Khaki Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle and Chain and Truncheon.

Training Course—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, April 20 at 17.30 hours sharp:

Constables R12 Lai Chak Po, R15 Tsui Kwok Ching, R31 Kwok Wai Lam, R39 Ip Shiu Ming, R95 Ip Wing Nn, R101 Lai Li Ying, R164 Mak Wai Fong, R165 Lek George Poon, R166 Chan Shiu Sun, R169 Lau Yun Ning and R171 Ip Wa Kwal.

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Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

INDIAN COMPANY

Training Course—Part I. The following members will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, May 1 at 17.15 hours for Squad Drill under Sub-Inspector (R) Mehdil Khan:

Constables R231 A. Karim, R257 A. Khan, R277 M. Afzal, R217 A. Hamid, R218 B. Abbas, R240 A. Mohamed, R235 M. Ramzan, R260 K. Ali, R239 N. Hamet, R291 A. R. Feroz, R274 H. Khan, R213 M. Ali, R272 N. Nazir, R259 M. Currim, R705 S. Khan, R704 M. Hoosen, R711 W. Abbas, R713 S. Bacho, R714 A. Khan, R716 P. R. Sharma, and R717 Ajab Khan.

Training Course—Part II. The following members of the Indian Company will attend Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Monday, April 29 at 17.30 hours under P.S.R. 214 Channan Singh:

Constables R212 P. Singh, R272 N. Nazir, R219 M. Y. Hussain, R229 G. Nabi, R259 A. Khan, R268 G. Singh, R281 N. Khan, R300 P. Singh, R701 N. Khan, R704 M. Currim, R705 S. Khan, R708 M. Hoosen, R709 A. Singh, R710 H. Ahmed, R716 P. R. Sharma, R711 W. Abbas, R712 A. Rahmani, R713 S. Bacho, R714 A. Khan, R715 F. Din, and R717 Ajab Khan.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD

Training Course—Part II. The following members of the Flying Squad will attend Chinese Company Headquarters on Wednesday, May 1 for Part II of Training Course:

Constables R333 Lai Yim, R353 Tam Pak Tat, R361 Wong Kim Lung, R382 K. H. Mann, R383 Ma King Shing, R246 Tuet Hung Cheong, and R373 Lee Chee Keung.

The following members of the Flying Squad will attend Police Training School, Kowloon on Friday, May 3 at 17.30 hours for Part II of Training Course:

Constable R339 So Mansoor, R364 Lee Wan Choi, R368 Chan Wah Kuen, R369 Yau Chi Chung, R370 Chan Chun, R372 Chu Kwok Wah, R374 Tai Wng Tak, R375 Shum Koon Ying, R376 Lam Wye Kee, R381 Chan Hung Pui, R377 N. Yau Choi, R378 Ng Chak Ying, R379 Peter Yeung, R380 Chan Wing Fatt, and R382 Chu Chung Leung.

Training Course—Part III. All members who have not yet qualified in Part III of Training Course will attend Kennedy Road Range on Sunday, May 5, 1940 at 10.00 hours sharp to fire the "A" and "B" Courses.

Instructional Patrol. The next instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Wednesday, May 8, 1940 at 17.15 hours sharp at Terminus Fire Station. All members must attend.

Dress—Khaki Uniform, Cap with Khaki Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle and Chain, and Truncheon to be carried.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Training Course—Part I. All members who have not yet qualified for Squad Drill will parade at

GENERAL

Ice Boxes Stolen

BUT RECOVERED BY OWNERS

Leung Chiu, 25, convict at Stanley Prison, appeared before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday on a charge of larceny of five ice-boxes, property of the Dairy Farm.

It was stated in Court that defendant, while an employee of the Dairy Farm, had taken away and sold five ice-boxes from a store room for a total sum of \$298. Three of the ice-boxes were sold for \$210 to a cafe owner in Temple Street, another for \$90 to a Dairy Farm customer who had formerly hired the box and was told he could buy it outright for \$60, and a fifth box to a friend of this customer who only paid \$28.

Det.-Sergt. H. J. Baldwin, prosecuting, said that all the ice-boxes had since been located and would be recovered by the Dairy Farm Company. Sentence was passed of three months hard labour.

RED CROSS WORK

The Foreign Auxiliary wishes to thank all those people who have already responded to the appeal for help for the foreign doctors in China.

Donations have been received from the following:—

Mr. D. C. Edmondston, H.K. & Shanghai Bank, H.K.\$100; Mr. and Mrs. G. Goodbar 25; Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin 25; Anonymous 20; Dr. John Lanchester 15; Eastman Kodak Company 10; Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott 10. Total: H.K.\$205.

The Foreign Auxiliary is especially anxious that there shall be a good response to this appeal, as it felt that the splendid effort made by the Norwegian Relief Committee in supporting these ten doctors over the past year should not be allowed to lapse now that Norway herself is involved in the European war and is no longer able to continue her support.

Further donations will be very gratefully received at the office, Bishop's House, Hongkong.

FLOWER DAY RESULT

The Flower Day held by the University Chinese Medical Aid Association on Saturday, April 20, in aid of the wounded soldiers and refugees in China, resulted in the total sum of \$2,463.05 being collected.

Altogether 16 schools gave their co-operation, and To Shuk Girls' School topped the list with a collection of \$322.05. The pair who collected the largest sum were Miss Katherine Kam and Miss Daisy Kwan, Italian Convent, who turned in \$36.19.

Donations were also received from the Hon. Sir Robert H. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Dr. Li Shu Fan, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Prof. F. A. Redmond, Prof. M. H. Roffey, Mrs. J. E. Fad, Mr. Li Tse Fong, Mr. Eu Tong Sen, Mr. Tang Shu Kin, Mr. Ng Chak Wah, Prof. R. C. Robertson, Prof. R. Robertson, Prof. K. H. Digby, Prof. L. R. Shore, Dr. R. J. Wong, Mr. Mok Kon Shan, and Mr. H. Y. Ts'o.

FATAL MISHAPS

Yau Wai-ching, a young married woman of No. 263 Cheung Sha Wan Road met her death instantaneously on Sunday when she fell from the roof while flying a kite.

Two workmen of the Tai Koo Docks were seriously injured and removed to the Queen Mary Hospital as a result of an iron bracket falling on them. One of them died.

No. 2 Police Station on Tuesday, April 20 and Friday, May 3 at 17.15 hours. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Training Course—Part III. The undermentioned members will attend Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday, May 1 at 17.15 hours for a revolver shoot:

Crown Sergeant R427 J. C. Powers, Lance Sergeant R402 M. Afrasgaff, R414 M. A. R. Sousa, Constable R281 R. M. R. Marques, R485 N. M. Krasnoperoff, R479 C. A. R. Remedios, R485 A. F. Delgado, R466 M. L. Rocha, R484 W. A. Fox, R419 H. J. Smits, R474 F. J. Medina, R473 S. S. L. de Farla, R463 G. A. Lee, R478 A. R. P. Pereira, R478 H. F. Sullivan, R471 J. F. de Silva, R458 B. A. Young, R465 H. W. Pomery, and R456 A. M. Sousa.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 20th April to 30th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

Dated this 8th day of April, 1940.

By Order of the Board,
J. P. SHERRY,
Manager.
14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong.

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M.S. "PANAMA"

Consignees of cargo by the above vessel are notified that all cargo is being discharged into the Godown of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., whence delivery can be effected on presentation of original Bills of Lading countersigned by the Marshal in Prize, Courts of Justice. All charges incurred in landing and warehousing this cargo are for the account of consignees; pending completion of Steamer's account, a deposit of the amount of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Tariff Landing Charge plus 100% is payable, this amount being subject to final adjustment. Hong Kong Cargo remaining undelivered after 4 p.m. on Tuesday, the 30th April, is subject to additional storage charges. All damaged packages will be surveyed by Messrs. Anderson & Ashe at 10 a.m. on Monday, 29th April.

No fire insurance has been effected.

(Sgd.) T. J. GOULD,
Marshal in Prize.

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THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING.

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,

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THE CONTROL OF COMMUNICATIONS

THE OPERATIONS now taking place between the Allied and German forces in Norway have gradually assumed the shape for a control, in the first instance, of communications. The Allies are, on the one hand, straining every effort to cut off the Nazi fighting units from all communication with Germany and the Germans, on the other, are realising daily the urgent need there is to establish contact with their invading forces in the North.

As far as the Nazi hopes of keeping in touch with their fleet are concerned, the British and French naval units have blasted these in no uncertain manner and the impotency of the Nazi Fleet at present has completely upset any plans which Herr Hitler may have had in mind for keeping his forces supplied with the aid of his Navy.

THE ALLIED troops now fighting in Norway alongside the Norwegians are endeavouring to drive a solid wedge between the Nazi armies in the north and south of Norway and are slowly securing their objective in their push from west to east from a point slightly to the south of Trondheim. Herr Hitler's only hope, therefore, appears to lie in his being able to make use of the numerous railways which run from Southern Sweden into Norway and to the North to relieve the position with supplies and reinforcements for his troops, which are now in danger of being cut off from communications with Germany. They have already been isolated along the coast and where they have been able to secure a foothold they may be starved out unless help comes to them swiftly.

HERR HITLER'S demand to Sweden for the use of her railways, both for the purpose of sending assistance and for securing the iron ore he needs has been flatly turned down. This will make it all the more necessary for the Nazis to strike at Sweden in an attempt to accomplish their objective with one quick blow. When this blow falls it will provide a waiting world with a true idea of the trend of feeling in Russia towards Nazi intentions.

WITH TWO of her trade treaties—with America and the Netherlands—lost by abrogation, with no chance of renewal, Japan has begun a vigorous trade policy—witness the recent exchange of notes between Nippon and Argentina. Japan, however, must not forget that other countries are just as anxious to strengthen their economic position and any attempt to save her own embarrassment by force will meet with strong resistance.

JAPAN'S ECONOMIC PREDICAMENT

IT HAS BECOME increasingly apparent that Japan's

EDITORIAL

INDIAN P. C. GAOLED FOR DESERTION

Man Who Wandered Into Chinese Territory

Found guilty on a charge of desertion, Harbhajan Singh, 32 constable B162 of the Hongkong Police Force, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge on Saturday, April 13, giving the reason that he was drunk and wandered into Chinese territory where he was held prisoner by the Japanese who then occupied the border.

He was sentenced to six months' hard labour, but a few days later Mr. Edwards re-opened the case under the Magistrates' Ordinance, remarking that doubted defendant's plea being one of guilty.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for the defendant yesterday and pleaded guilty. Det-Sergt. F. W. Fowlie prosecuted.

The defendant joined the Police Force in October, 1937, for a term of five years.

Constable B265, Battat Singh, who was stationed at Sheung Shui Police Station late last year, said that he last saw the defendant, dressed in civilian clothing, leaving the station carrying a basket.

"When I had left the station, I remember, I went out to buy some onion seeds. I went to the village where I had more drink from my bottles. My memory was rather hazy when leaving the station."

"The next thing I remembered was 8 o'clock the following morning when I found myself locked up by Japanese. I told them that I had come there by mistake and asked them to let me go. They refused."

"The next day I was taken to somewhere in Canton. I was detained till Dec. 7."

Defendant then said that the Japanese accused him of acting as a British spy.

Mr. Russ: They thought you were in the Secret Service.—Yes. They refused to let me come back. I was not allowed to have a paper or pencil. They took my photograph and I was employed as a kind of watchman.

ESCAPE ATTEMPT

"I attempted to escape once but I was arrested and put in a cell for about 15 or 16 days. I promised them that I would not escape any more and they put me on duty again with the Japanese soldiers. If I went out a Japanese soldier would accompany me."

"I eventually shaved off my beard and escaped. I got down to the frontier by walking, which took me seven days. I was going to Lokmatah Police Station when a Chinese soldier arrested me and took me to Shuruchun."

"On November 10 I was handed over to the Hongkong Police."

Mr. A. R. S. Major, Superintendent of Police, said that the defendant did not have a good record in the Force.

NEWSSETTES

St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship will hold a Charity Mahjong Drive today starting at 3 p.m.

Dr. Leighton Stuart, president of the Yenching University in Peiping, left Hongkong for Shanghai recently.

Mr. R. P. Morris will be the speaker at this afternoon's tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club. He will speak on "Empire Wireless Communications."

His Excellency Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States, left Singapore by air on April 17, on a holiday, accompanied by Lady Thomas.

Lin Chi-shih, a Chinese member of the International Brigade which fought in the Spanish Civil War for the Republicans, has returned to China to fight for his country against the Japanese.

Labour Day, today, which is declared public holiday, will be observed quietly by Shanghai Chinese labour organizations. No meetings will be held in view of the prevailing conditions in Shanghai.

Sir Clutha Mackenzie, blind knight and hero of Gallipoli, spent a few days in Singapore recently when he addressed the Singapore Rotary Club and offered suggestions and advice on ways and means of helping Malaya's blind.

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WEDDING AT REGISTRY

Mr. James Maurice Wong, accountant, of No. 108 Thomson Road, and Miss Amy Au, of No. 69 Pokfulam Road, were married yesterday at the Registry, Supreme Court. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the ceremony.

MUCH TOO MUCH:

Then there were the reparations machinery was set up whereby they

could be scaled down to a reasonable figure and that was shortly done. Voluminous tears have been shed over the war-guilt clause.

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"Wash your hands," he says.

"of this mess. I did once, and saved myself a lot of work and worry. That was none of my business. This is none of yours. So wash your hands of it now."

FOREIGN POLICY:

For the last 20 years we Americans have been fooling ourselves, as Pilate tried to do in another practical situation, when we've talked about America's foreign policy. We still are. It's not surprising. We have been deluged with a constant stream of propaganda about the "Crime of Versailles."

"We won the war and what did we get?" the pathetic spectacle of a gullible America caught in the wily intrigues of Old World diplomacy. England expecting every American to do his duty, the "Merchants of Death" and the "Wall Street Bankers."

Today there's a new, equally polluted, stream of propaganda luridly warning us against propaganda. The upshot of it all is that the thinking of many honest people has become confused, their nerves jangled and their emotions jaded.

And as a nation we have managed so far to escape from reality and the tough responsibilities of being a first-rate Power.

I DON'T MEAN THAT WE HAVE LOST THE PURITANICAL VICE OF PREACHING TO OTHERS, BUT WE HAVE FAILED TO EXERCISE THE PURITANICAL VIRTUE OF DOING OUR SHARE AND MORE, IF NEED BE—OF THE HARD WORK OUR VERY GREATNESS REQUIRES OF US.

PURPOSE OF LETTER:

The purpose of this letter is to suggest briefly that we average citizens question some of these slogans and catch-phrases which are doing so much to paralyse the moral driving force of the American people. Too many of us have been doing our thinking on foreign affairs by proxy. A lot of us let the columnists do it.

I suggest that we stuff our ears for a while to the stately measures, the sounding brass and the tinkling cymbals of various of these. Maybe if we do that we can hear ourselves think.

Long before Hitler made the "Crime of Versailles" his favourite bedtime story to the German people, many of our "intellectuals" were talking and writing about it in fevered manner of a town gossip. Pseudo-historians, irresponsible journalists and disgruntled liberals, who couldn't digest some of the rougher facts of life all did their bit. There was also some honest, intelligent and justified criticism of it.

As a treaty it had imperfections, having been drawn by imperfect men representing imperfect peoples, most of whom for four years had endured a war that was not exactly perfect. True, Germany lost some rather unprofitable colonies in Africa (in 1914 they accounted for less than one-half of 1 per cent. of her foreign trade).

Alzace-Lorraine was restored to France. Any objections? The house has none.

SOMETHING "PHONY":

There is something "phony" in the contrast between our noisy pride in our fighting prowess and our self-abasement as diplomatic morons. You know that oft-repeated phrase, "America has won every war and lost every peace conference."

The next time some parlour intellectual repeats that phrase, in the pompous manner of the man trying to make a conversational impression, ask him how many and what peace conferences he's talking about.

Did our diplomats lose for us the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War of 1848-46, the Spanish-American War or the World War (when we ducked our job by repudiating the League of

AN AMERICAN LOOKS AT THE WAR

WE HAVE BEEN FOOLING OURSELVES FOR 20 YEARS

Britain has never officially attempted to introduce any form of propaganda for the Allied cause in the United States of America. It has been suggested in many quarters that this is a mistaken policy and that by such inaction the Allies are allowing German claims and distortions to poison the mind of the American people against the Allies.

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Coming

WHERE NAZIS WERE WRONG IN NORWAY

THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE NO RESISTANCE

And Forgot They Had To Deal With The Navy!

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—"There has been much talk about treachery and the use of the fifth column in Norway but not everyone may realise that this is part of the doctrine created by the German General Staff and the Nazi Government," said Captain Cyril Falls, military correspondent of "The Times" in a B.B.C. broadcast today.

While "deception" is one of the normal artifices of war, the German method was to employ corruption and treachery in an attempt to win the campaign before it really started.

The Germans had hoped that in Norway, as in Denmark, there would be little or no resistance. They also miscalculated the naval factor.

GERMAN NAVY CRIPPLED
The Norwegians are resisting and the Allied troops are going to their aid, while the German Navy has been so crippled that it is now a less serious menace in the calculations of the Allies and even the neutrals.

The situation in Norway is difficult for two main reasons:

1.—Although we can interrupt the passage of German troops to Oslo and have indeed already caused thousands of casualties of the most serious kind to their morale—through death by drowning—it is practically impossible to stop this traffic altogether. In fact, the Germans can send reinforcements with less difficulty than can the Allies.

2.—The Nazi air bases are closer so that their planes can harry Allied troops more than we can theirs. We have already done a good deal towards offsetting this by bombing their air bases and have indeed inflicted heavier losses than we have suffered.

RESTRICTED ACTIVITY

We have also sent some fighter planes to attack the Nazi bombers.

But it must be remembered that the Germans are, at the moment, in possession of most of the airfields in Norway so that we can operate only on a small scale.

Murder And Barbarity Near Shanghai Area

Old Men Killed: Wounded Denied Medical Aid

SHANGHAI, April 29 (Reuter)—A long cordon of burnt down villages, within a few miles of Shanghai, still smoking and lifeless, apart from a few howling dogs, affords grim evidence of the Japanese punitive "action" in reprisal for the guerrilla raids, writes Reuter's representative, who is the first foreigner to effect an entry into the strictly guarded zone, lying to the west of the city, off Tsingpu Road.

Four Germans Kidnapped

ONE IS MEMBER OF EMBASSY

Special to H.K. Daily Press
PEKING, Apr. 29 (Havas)—Four Germans, one of whom was a woman, were kidnapped yesterday by bandits in the Piyunsu Temple on the western hills. The woman was released yesterday evening while two others were held captive.

The bandits demanded watches, money and arms but did not receive arms and refused to set all free until their demands had been complied with.

The German authorities are endeavouring to get in touch with the kidnappers for the release. One of the captives is a member of the German Embassy, one a doctor, one a Peking resident and the woman a typist.

LORD "HAW HAW" AND SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Apr. 29 (Int'l)—Lord "Haw Haw" has made his presence felt in Shanghai over the German radio station here when he used choice names in referring to the news commentator in American-owned station XMHF who gave out news not complimentary to the Nazis.

In Shanghai as in Berlin, Lord "Haw Haw" is the radio announcer in English over the German broadcasting station.

Meanwhile, the jamming of the American station has decreased and can be clearly heard in the outports except in the nightly broadcasts at 10.15 p.m.

VON RIBBENTROP CANNOT EXPLAIN BRUTAL INVASION

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—In dealing with Herr von Ribbentrop's speech on Saturday, the Belgian paper "Matin" says "The fatuity of such a manoeuvre can only deceive children."

In discussing the same subject, the St. Louis Post says that Ribbentrop's explanation cannot explain away the plain facts of brutal invasion.

The Italian newspaper "Forze armate" states that the Norwegian defences have been "galvanised by the presence of the Allied troops. The stake is high and gigantic forces face each other in the struggle. Therefore it will be a stern struggle."

The "Basler Nachrichten" a Swiss newspaper says: "The German Blitzkrieg which was to vanquish Scandinavia within a few days has failed. This cannot be denied any longer after the mysterious failure to carry out a monster attack on British transports."

"This wasted opportunity can not easily be regained."

NORWAY NEVER TRANSGRESSED

SOMEWHERE IN NORWAY, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—Dr. H. Koht, Norwegian Foreign Minister, declared that Herr von Ribbentrop's assertion that Norway knew, beforehand, that Britain intended to invade Norwegian territorial waters and that she approved of the plan was false.

He added that nobody could succeed in proving that Norway in any way transgressed the duties of a neutral.

Norway Was Not Ready

NO PREPARATIONS EVER MADE

WASHINGTON, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—The Norwegian Legation in Washington categorically denies that there has ever been any agreement between the Norwegian Government and any other Powers concerning the use of Norwegian territory for military or naval forces or other facilities.

The new German White Paper is similar to the methods used by Berlin to justify the invasion of Belgium in the last war.

There has never been any collusion between Norway and Britain against Germany and the Legation states that the Germans could not have found any documents showing that Norway was preparing for war, for no such action had been contemplated.

JAPANESE TRADE WITH DUTCH EAST INDIES

Special to H.K. Daily Press

TOKYO, Apr. 29 (Havas)—Trade circles are now urging the development of Japanese trade with the Netherlands East Indies replacing the Scandinavian countries which have been paralysed as a consequence of the extension of the European conflict.

The trade of the Netherlands Indies with the Scandinavian countries, though not very important, included imports and exports which Japan is quite ready to take over.

The wounded are in a pitiable plight and are not able to get medical assistance as they cannot get passes to get through the Japanese manned barriers on the road to Shang-hai.

A FRAUD OF GUERRILLAS

The villages were burnt during day-time raids, the people declared, as the Japanese are afraid to come out in the night owing to the guerrillas.

Although a Japanese military spokesman denied to Reuter last week that there were "major operations" in the area, saying that the trouble caused by the guerrillas was negligible, it is obvious that the Japanese were compelled to considerably tighten up all precautions.

NEW POSTS

A number of apparently new military posts have sprung up in that area and a new barracks has been built on the Hunjao aerodrome.

It is believed the guerrillas are making the fullest use of the growing crops in harassing the small Japanese garrisons on the outskirts of Shanghai.

CABLES

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In the Oester Valley, the Germans are reported to be held up five miles north of Roeros where the Norwegians destroyed the road and bridge.

BERLIN, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—A German High Command communiqué claims that the pacification of the interior of Norway is continuing.

Twenty-four guns, equipment and ammunition were captured and a dynamite factory occupied.

GERMAN DRIVE CHECKED

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These deductions proceed from the firm conviction in very responsible Allied circles that the Nazis have decided to risk all in an endeavour to force the war to a decision by next winter.

German political leaders are confident that Germany would be able to score a sweeping success over the Allies by the end of the present summer.

There is some reason to believe that Herr Hitler, when he laid his plan of operations before Signor Mussolini during the Brenner Pass Conference meeting, managed to carry a large measure of conviction.

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UNITED FRONT AGAINST WANG REGIME

Some Of The Difficulties Of Overseas Chinese

CHUNGKING, April 29 (Central)—The outbreak of the European War has its advantages and disadvantages as far as overseas Chinese are concerned, according to Mr. Chen Shu-jen, Chairman of the Overseas Affairs Commission, in a review of overseas affairs recently.

For instance, Mr. Chen pointed out, Chinese in the South Seas are benefitted by the rise in the prices of tin, rubber, timber and spices, while the wartime boom enjoyed by the United States' munitions industries is shared by Chinese residing in that country.

On the other hand, the activity of Chinese communities abroad in general and the Kuomintang members in particular are affected by the strict postal and telegraphic censorship, foreign exchange control and restriction against public meetings, etc.

ANTI-CHINESE WORK
Several grave facts are also confronting Chinese in foreign colonies and settlements. Mr. Chen continued. One of them is the enlightenment policy adopted.

WANG CHUNG-HUI TO BROADCAST
Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister for Foreign Affairs, will give a radio talk in English over XGOX, the Voice of China, operating on 16.85 metres, tomorrow at 11.20 a.m. Hongkong time. His subject will be "In Defence of Civilization," says Central News.

On Thursday, Mr. Chu Hsueh-fan, formerly labour delegate to Geneva, will broadcast a talk in English, on the occasion of International Labour Day at 5.45 a.m. and 9.45 a.m. over XGOY and XGOX, respectively.

REVOLUTION IN PANAMA?
PANAMA April 29 (Reuter)—A secret store of arms, including some German sub-machine-guns, was seized in the early morning yesterday by the Panamanian police. A number of arrests were made but no details were revealed.

The police are believed to be searching for other similar stores. Rumours of revolutionary plotting have been current here recently and zero hour was said to have been set for last Friday night but nothing happened.

INDIAN WAR SUPPLIES FOR INDO-CHINA

SIMLA, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—Following the recent visit of a mission from French Indo-China to Delhi, an agreement was reached whereby India will supply Indo-China with a wide range of war materials.

The agreement also provides for the reciprocal supply of materials required by the armed forces of both countries.

PRESERVATION OF PEACE WAS CHIEF AIM OF NORWEGIAN POLICY, SAYS FOREIGN MINISTER

During the debate on the Speech from the Throne the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Dr. Koht, laid particular stress on the passage in the Speech which declared the preservation of peace to be the chief aim of the Norwegian Government.

Continuing, Dr. Koht said that to remain neutral is not only a duty we owe our country but is also a right we exercise in our relations with other peoples.

One may at times be inclined to believe that the belligerent Powers think that we ought to choose between them, and that there is really no other way out offered to us.

INDEPENDENT POLICY
I will, therefore, put on record that we regard ourselves as being in truth outside the war. Our neutrality is the outcome of an independent Norwegian policy and is based on vitally important Norwegian interests. We will not let ourselves be drawn into the war and we are determined to defend our neutrality as far as it lies in our power.

The Foreign Minister then referred to the problems which the war has created for the small nations, pointing out that the mine warfare had proved the most fatal to this country. Norway has since the outbreak of war lost 28 ships aggregating 70,000 tons and more than a hundred (X) Norwegian seamen have perished. The Norwegian war casualties have been mounting fast lately. By February 2, 38 ships aggregating 91,254 tons had been sunk with a total of 227 lives lost.

In some cases there had been a well-founded suspicion that the sinkings had been due to submarines. We know that two vessels have been sunk by German warships, but there are in addition four doubtful cases where there is no definite proof that the sinking was the work of belligerent vessels.

SERIOUS HINDRANCE
The mine and submarine war has proved a serious hindrance to the Norwegian export trade and has also been harmful to the belligerents themselves. The belligerents would do well to con-

tinue this would give the other party no right whatever to do the same.

We have done everything in our power to maintain a strict neutrality. This was acknowledged by the whole world when we released the German prize "City of Flint" as she sought refuge in a Norwegian port. We have shown and will continue to show our will to preserve strict neutrality towards all the belligerents.

SOVIET & FINLAND

Commenting on the war between Soviet-Russia and Finland Dr. Koht said:

When Russian forces invaded Finland the feeling in our country was one of consternation. It was war against a peaceful neighbour with whom we live in close collaboration, and our hearts cannot but be deeply stirred by this event.

Nobody can prevent such feelings, and no Government can prevent that help is sent to mitigate the sufferings of the Finnish people. But however natural these things are, it is equally clear that the state must remain outside the conflict. This is the more necessary as much forces as we have for our defence are needed at home.

Under the political conditions now prevailing in Europe we might easily find ourselves involved in a conflict with more than one Great Power. We can not embark on such a policy of adventure.

It has been a cause of great satisfaction to us that Finland has played its part in Northern co-operation, but it should be borne in mind that it was never the meaning that this collaboration should have military significance.

All the Northern Governments have declared themselves against a military alliance and during the meeting of the Northern states at Stockholm on October 18 and 19 last, it was made clear that none of the Northern countries had contracted any obligations of a military nature towards any

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GENERAL

VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT-COL H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERLY MEDICAL OFFICER All respirators, knives and pliers

MEDICAL INSPECTION must be returned to Company Office.

RECRUITS CORPS SIGNALS

Friday, May 3 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lt E.W. Stout

CLASP TO THE EFFICIENCY MEDAL

Extract from Government Gazette No. 17 of the 19/4/40.

"No. 44—In accordance with regulation 8 of the Regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters concerning The Efficiency Medal in regard to the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps published as Notification No. 579 in the Gazette of August 2, 1935. His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize the following award:—

Clasp to Efficiency Medal. Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant Albert Edward Kew. April 18, 1940."

PROMOTION

Extract from Government Gazette No. 17 of the 19/4/40.

"His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from Mar. 28, 1940:—

Staff Quartermaster-Sergeant Ralph James Shirley to be Second Lieutenant, April 15, 1940."

PARADES

CORPS ARTILLERY

3rd Battery

Thursday, May 2 H.Q. 5.15 p.m. N.C.O.'s Class, Dress—Overalls & S.D. caps.

THURSDAY, May 2 Miniature Range, 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Section, Dress—Multi.

4th Battery

Friday, May 3 No. 1 Gun: B.C. Staff; "A" Relief, D.E.L. "B" Relief; and all Signallers 5.30 p.m. Queen's Pier for Pakshawan, returning at 10 p.m. Dress—S.D. caps, overalls, gun platform shoes, waterbottles filled. Haversack

rations will be provided.

5th A.A. Battery

Thursday, May 2 (1) No. 1 Section, Queen's Pier, 5.15 p.m. Overalls to be carried (11) No. 2 Section, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. As per programme. Jacket and trousers.

FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS

Thursday, May 2 H.C.E.R. 5.30 p.m. Lecture—Heavy Bridging by Lt. Hilton, R.E.

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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 30 Apr to 8 May 1940.

HIGH WATER. **LOW WATER.**

10 a.m. April 29. Barometer (at sea level), 30.00 ins.

Temperature, 70 F.

Humidity, 72 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.N.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 1.

Temperature: maximum yesterday, 75 F.

Temperature: minimum last night, 68 F.

All Box Respirators and Steel Helmets must be returned to H.Q. immediately.

4 pm. April 29. Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st 22.49 ins.

Against an average of, 11.01.

Sunset tonight, 6.48 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.52 a.m.

4 pm. April 29. Barometer (at sea level), 29.89 ins.

Temperature, 73 F.

Humidity, 65 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.S.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Maximum temperature, 73 F.

Minimum temperature, 67 F.

Rainfall, nil.

A black-out was imposed all over Switzerland recently under the orders of General Guisan, Commander-in-Chief. Air raid alarms were sounded to give the population practice in running to shelters.—(Havas).

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On View from Monday, the 29th April, 1940.

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On View from Tuesday, the 30th April, 1940.

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GERMANS CUT RAILWAY

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—According to press reports the Germans are entrenching five miles to the north, at Orvius, where the Norwegians have cut the railway by blowing up the bridge over the fast flowing Glommens River.

The French are reported to have been in action against a German force attempting to make a detour to Bangsund across the water 10 miles from Narvik.

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

KUNMING, April 29 (Central)—A sum of \$20,000 will be appropriated by the National Relief Commission to the Relief Centre in Kunming for distribution among the large numbers of refugees at shipping victimised by the recent severe earthquake.

Finance and Commerce

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Business reported was not of vast proportions, and prices are not too robust, but the spread was over a variegated selection.

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1,500.
Bank of E. Asia, \$74.
Union Ins., \$490.
Providents, \$44.
Lands, \$36.
Realities, \$40.
Telephones (Old), \$284.
Telephones (New), \$10.
Lane, Crawford's, \$8,03.
Wm. Powell, \$1.
Entertainments, \$7,10.

SELLERS

Providents, \$4,40.
Electrics, \$651.
Telephones (Old), \$29.
Telephones (New), \$104.

SALES

Docks Cum. Rts., \$214.
Hotels, \$4.
Lands, \$36.
Chinese Estates, \$103.
Trams, \$171.
China Lights (Old), \$7,90.
Electrics, \$64,80.
Telephones (Old), \$64,80.
Telephones (New), \$28,80.

MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks 161b, Antamok 12s, Baguio Gold 18s, Batong Buhay 01b, Big Wedge 17s, Coco Grove 08s, Cun. Mines 0025b, Demonstration 081b, LX.L. 30s, Ipo Gold 07s, Itogen Mining 201b, Masbate Con. 06b, Mine Operations 07s, North Ga. marines 043s, Paracale Gummanus 16s, San Mauricio 61b, Surigao Con. 17s, Suyoc Con. 121s, United Para. 21s, Mindanao Motherlode 08s.

RUBBER SHIPMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES

British Malaya Exports On The Increase

NEW YORK, April 29 (Havas)—The "Weekly Survey of Commodity and Exchange" states that changes in the sources of American rubber supplies, which were expected as a result of the war, failed to materialise.

Commercial quarters thought that American buyers of crude rubber would have to depend on the Dutch East Indies more than on British Malaya because of war time conditions.

BETTER FIGURES

However, figures for the first six months of the war have failed to substantiate this, and actually British Malaya has supplied, since the war started, 87.3 per cent of America's rubber, computed on a monthly average basis, as compared with the monthly average of 64.8 per cent for the period between January 1937 and August 1939.

According to this survey, the only notable shift in world rubber shipments since the outbreak of the war are, firstly, a decided drop in British Malaya's share in rubber shipments to Japan and Europe, and secondly, the sharp increase of re-exports from the United States to Europe.

Since the war started Europe has received 13.9 per cent of its rubber from the United States in the form of re-exports.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Monday, April 29, 1940.

	China Lights (O)	500	\$ 7.90
	250	21.75	
	China Providents 1,000	4,324	
	H.K. Docks C. Rts. 150	21.75	
	300	21.75	
	H.K. Docks X. Rts. 200	16.55	
	H.K. Electrics 100	64.80	
	H.K. Tramways 100	17.50	
	H.K. Lands 200	36.75	
	Star Ferries 50	67.50	
	Ewers 500 "S"	\$70.50	

3,350
The total value is \$42,902.50 and S'hs \$35,250.00.

SHANGHAI PORK SHORTAGE

SHANGHAI, April 29 (Reuter)—Almost all pork dealers in the French Concession and the International Settlement were compelled to suspend business yesterday when they were unable to obtain fresh supplies of pork from Nantung, Kiangsu Province, owing to the heavy taxes imposed by the Japanese authorities, says the Siwanpao.

ANGLO-ITALIAN TRADE TALKS

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter)—It is learned that Anglo-Italian trade relations was discussed in an interview between Lord Halifax and the Italian Ambassador Signor Bastianini over the end of the week. One of the main objectives was to carry forward the trade talks which were interrupted early in March, at the time of the incident concerning Italian coal ships at Rotterdam.

All cotton exporting countries except the United States, Egypt and Peru have lost ground in the current season as compared to a year ago, according to figures released in New York by the Cotton Exchange, says Havas. China showed the heaviest drop in the exchange listing, dropping from 253,000 bales in 1938-39 to 14,000 bales in 1939-40. Exports for the United States, Egypt and Peru also been mined."

Showed gains. India lost ground, falling from 1,04,000 bales last year to 88,000 bales this year. Brazil's export dropped from 535,000 bales to 49,000 bales.



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ECONOMIC SOCIETY MEETING

CHUNGKING, Apr. 29 (Central)—The 15th annual meeting of the Chinese Economic Society was inaugurated at the Chungking University here yesterday.

More than 100 members and guests were present. Dr. Ma Yinchu, leading Chinese economist and president of the Society, presided and gave the opening speech. Mr. Tan Kah-kee, well-known Chinese industrialist in Singapore, spoke on the economic relations between the Chinese in the South Seas and their fatherland.

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SPURS ORDERED TO PAY RATES

Court Threatens To Issue Distress

LONDON, April 16 (By Air Mail) — Tottenham Hotspur Football Club were summoned at Tottenham to-day for the nonpayment of rates amounting \$844 7s 1d.

COUP ORDER

The Bench made an order for the amount to be paid in four weeks, otherwise distress would issue.

When the case was called, Mr. Arthur Turner (secretary of the club) said he appeared in answer to the summons, but the clerk of the court stated: "The Spurs are a limited company and can be represented only by a solicitor. I should have thought the Spur's would have had a solicitor."

AN APPEAL

Mr. L. C. A. Dubrey (the chairman): As long as you have not got the whole team here, we don't mind.

It was intimated that the Club had entered an appeal against the rate on their premises, but it was said that they had no right to do so.

Mr. Turner pleaded that the Club was unable, owing to the difficult circumstances of the times, to meet the claim.

He pointed out that immediately after the summer close season, the war came and the ground was closed for seven weeks. Since then the Government had allowed attendances of only 10 per cent of the normal.

BANK "NOT KEEN"

The Tottenham Corporation occupied part of the stands for which they had paid nothing.

In reply to a suggestion that the club should obtain the money from the bank, Mr. Turner said that banks were not keen to lend money where there were big overdraws.

WARNING TO MARINERS

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announce that Vestfjorden and its approaches have been mined, and vessels navigating in these areas without seeking instructions from the local British or Norwegian naval authorities do so at their own peril.

The announcement says "Vestfjorden is mined to the north of a line extending in the direction of 128 days from Väderö Island Light 67°39' N. 124°5 days E. to the mainland.

"Channels to the north-east and to the south of Steinvaer Island 69°10' days N. 13°35' days E. have also been mined."

Showed gains. India lost ground, falling from 1,04,000 bales last year to 88,000 bales this year.

Brazil's export dropped from 535,000 bales to 49,000 bales.

The seamen were accommodated in a school room until after the second battle of Narvik when they signalled to British destroyers and were taken off.

Sir John Simon Should Have Asked For More

Press Criticism Of Budget: Two Points Of View

LONDON, Apr. 29 (Reuter)—A Sound Budget and A Budget of Delusion—these two headings of leading articles reveal the difference of opinion held by the British press in connexion with the new Budget.

The former is from the Spectator which follows the line of reasoning by the Chancellor of the Exchequer who, the paper says, made a fair distribution between borrowing and taxation. It approves of the other taxes with the exception of the raising of postage rate.

The other heading comes from the Economist which is very critical. The Chancellor has missed the opportunity to introduce a Budget which would have served as a promise of resolute action and would have given the people a chance to demonstrate their passionate desire to serve the State.

War effort is only one tenth more than now?

The Nazis are said to be spending around £3,000,000,000 this year on the war. Is there any pretence that we can win this war with a smaller effort than theirs?

ANOTHER GOEBBELS STUNT

It should be pointed out that in connexion with this figure of £3,000,000,000 frequently referred to, the Nazis do not publish their Budget like we do and that one home paper suggests that the figure was put out by Dr. Goebbels just to impress the world.

The Economist is also dissatisfied with the methods. The taxation proposals bear heavily only on the specific points on which they are imposed. Increases on beer, spirits and tobacco and the stiff increased postage rates are penal but the increase of taxation as a whole is light.

NATION'S RESOLUTION

The new Purchase Tax is an interesting newcomer, but it is not a major contribution towards paying for the war.

More should be done to increase savings, even if all forms of expenditure must be brought under control.

The Sunday Times says that the British people cannot be taxed without their own consent and no people in that position have ever been taxed so heavily. Yet the principle criticism of the Chancellor has been to imply that he should have asked for more sacrifices, not less.

One could desire to better evidence of the nation's resolution than the reception given last Tuesday's Budget.

GERMANS EXPELLED FROM TURKEY

ANKARA, April 29 (Reuter)—The authorities are reported to have arrested, and ordered the expulsion of, five Germans—an archaeological professor, a journalist and his wife, a merchant and his agent.

This follows the tightening up of the control of foreigners residing in Turkey. Istanbul police have ordered all cabaret artists, who recently arrived in large numbers and are mostly of Hungarian nationality, to leave the country before May 1.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

	Previous	April 27	Closing	Opening	Buyers	Buyers	Change
SINGAPORE RUBBER							
S P O T	36 cts.	35-7/8	35-7/8	off 1/8			
JULY-SEPT.	35-1/8	34-7/8	34-7/8	off 1/4			
OCT.-DEC.	34-1/4	34 cts.	34-1/8	off 1/8			

The market was quiet.

LONDON RUBBER	Previous close	Today's close	buyers	buyers	Change
S P O T	10-15/16	10-15/16			
M A Y	11	Market closed			
J U N E	11-1/16				
JULY-SEPT.	11-1/16				
OCT.-DEC.	11-1/16				

NEW YORK COTTON: Heavy price-fixing of bears together with the scarcity of contracts is likely to result in further tightening of old crops. The question of export subsidy is very undecided and there is no prospect of an immediate action. The weather generally is favourable.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Prices again levelled off on scattered May liquidation on a thin market. Factory interest was less in evidence.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Hedging and realising caused an early easiness but prices rallied on evening up by local interests. The strength of Corn market was impressive and foreign interest appeared to be reviving.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.73; Today's close, 148.12; Change, up .39.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Open	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.80	10.73	10.75	10.80	.05 up
New York Rubber, May	19.36	19.24	19.38	19.24	.14 off
Chicago Wheat, May	1081	1071	1074	1081	.1 up
Chicago Corn, May	641	63	634	642	.1 up
New York Hides, June	13.74	13.70	13.74	13.70	.04 off
NEW YORK COTTON	10.75/75	10.74/74	10.80/80	10.75/75	.05 up
July	10.48/48	10.60b	10.67/67	10.67/67	.04 up
July (New contract)	10.63 N	10.60b	10.67/67	10.67/67	.04 up
October	10.18/19	10.15/15	10.17/17	10.17/17	.01 off
December	10.05/05	10.00/00	10.02/02	10.02/02	.03 off
January	9.99 N	9.94b/9.68	9.98 N	9.98 N	.03 off
March	9.89 N	9.86/86	9.86 N	9.86 N	.03 off
Spot	10.93 N	10.93 N	10.98 N	10.98 N	.05 up

Total sales Friday—37,200 bales.

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER	May	19.38/45	19.34/36	19.24/28	.14 off
July	18.95/96	18.90/90	18.85/85	18.85/85	.10 off
September	18.65b/70a	18.61/61	18.62/62	18.62/62	.07 off
December	18.50/50	—	18.40b/45a	18.40b/45a	.10 off
January	18.44 N	—	18.35 N	18.35 N	.09 off

Total sales:—830 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT	May	1073/1071	1071/1071	1081/1081	.1 up
July	1068/1064	1068/1064	1068/1064	1068/1064	.1 up
September	1068/1064	1068/1064	1071/1071	1071/1071	.1 up
Friday's sales:—32,608,000 bushels.					

CHICAGO CORN	May	631/631	63/63	641/641	.1 up
July	641/641	—	651/651	651/651	.1 up
September	651/651	—	66/66	66/66	.2 up
WINNIPEG WHEAT	891b	89/882	891/891	891/891	.1 up
May	901b	901b	911b	911b	.1 up
July	921b	—	931a	931a	.1 up
October	921b	—	931a	931a	.1 up

NEW YORK HIDES	June	13.74/75	13.72/71	13.70/70	.04 off
September	14.01/01	14.01/01	13.97/97	13.97/97	.04 off
December	14.27b	14.27b	14.22b/24a	14.22b/24a	.05 off
New York Official	34-3/4	—	unquoted.	unquoted.	
NY-London Cross Rate	351	—	3.50-3/4	3.50-3/4	

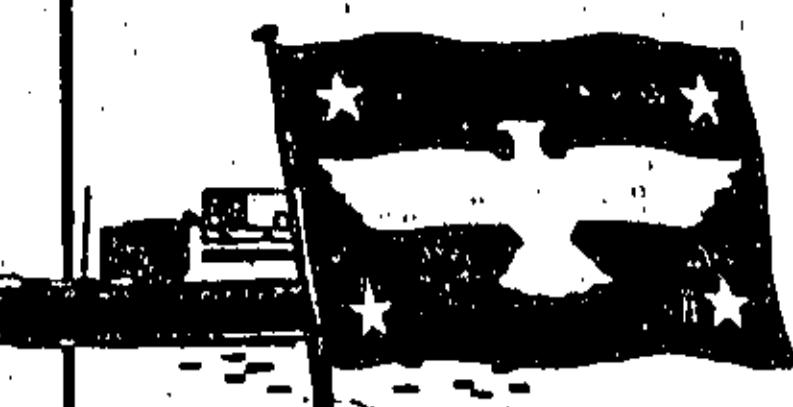
London Stock Exchange

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, April 26.	Open	London	0/4
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.			
War Loan, 31% (Red after 1952)	99-9/161		
Canton-Kloon Ry. 5% 15			
Chinese 4% Gold Loan 1898. (Brit. Issue) 56			
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds. 1925-47 52			
Chin. 41% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 50			
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan. 1913 254			
Chinese 5% Regn. Loan. 1912 36			
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes. 1925 (Vicker) 11			
Chin. Imperial Ry. 5% 15			
Hunan Ry. 5% 15			
Hukouang Ry. 5%, 1911 19			
(German Issue) 17			
Lung Tsing & U. Haif Ry. 5% 1913 13			
Shan-N King Ry. 5% 21			
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 13			
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (German Stpd.) 13			
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13			
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13			

CHINESE SECURITIES	London	0/4
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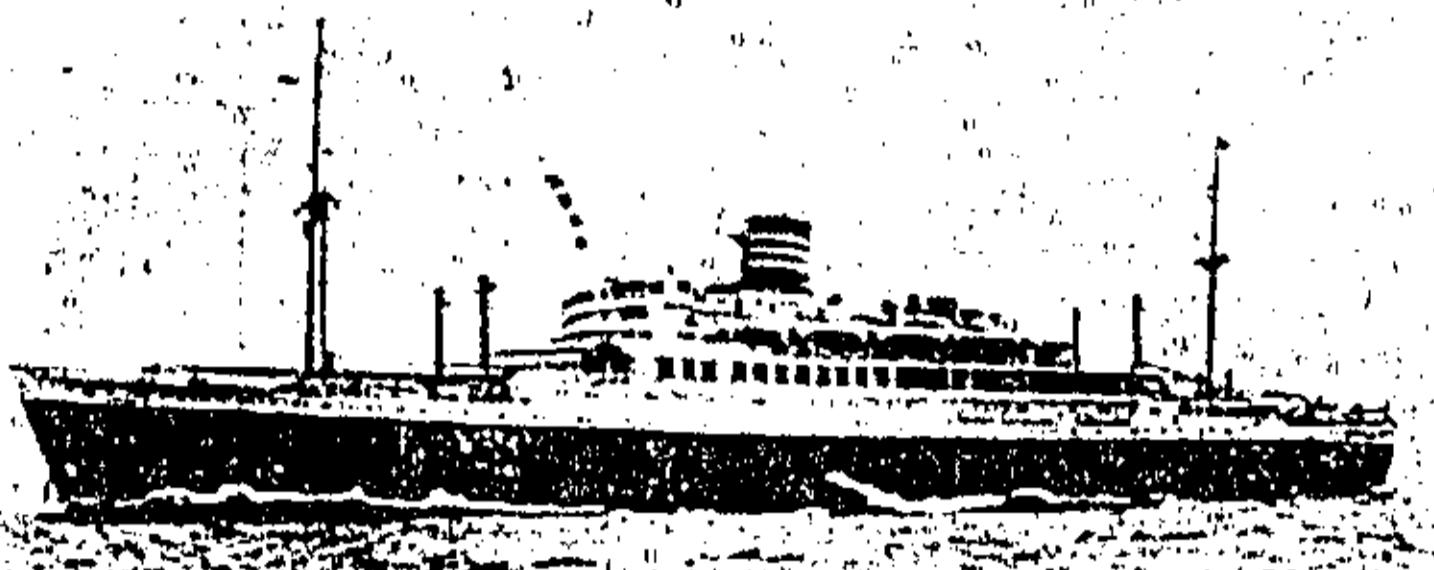
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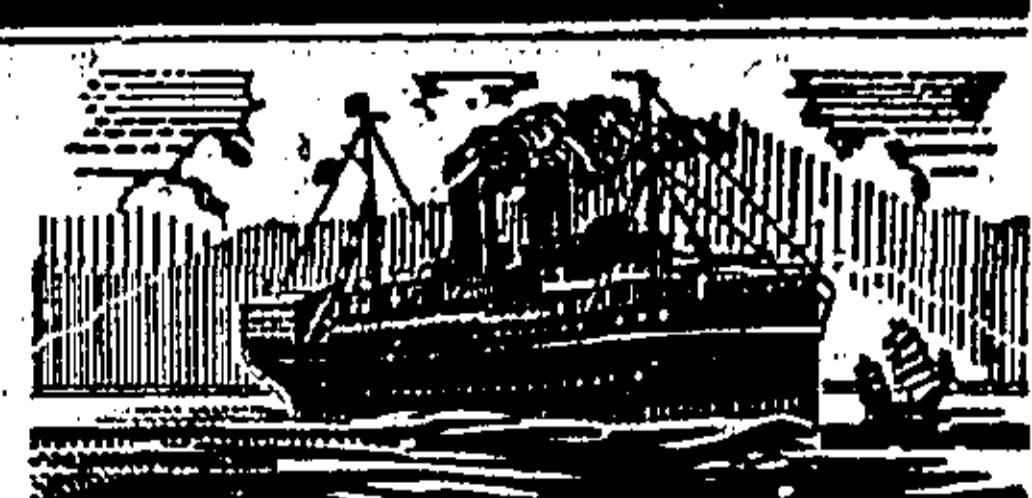
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FIELD AMBULANCE

Friday, May 3 St. Paul's College
5.30 p.m. Lecture.

PAY SECTION

Friday, May 3 Command H.Q.
5.30 p.m. N.C.O.s detailed by O.C.
Unit.

M.G. CLASSIFICATION CASUALS

Sunday, May 5 Kowloon City
Range, 9 a.m. Those who have not
yet fired from the following units
will attend:

Mobile Column, No. 1 Company
and No. 5 Company. Dress—Multi-
but webbing belt will be worn.

QUALIFICATION, MUSKETRY —AMENDMENT

Reference Corps Orders No. 28-
40 of 1940. Para. 3. Under No.
5 Company. Delete the name of
Pte. G. N. Gosano.

CORPS ORDERS—AMENDMENT

Corps Orders No. 28-40 of the
1940. Para. 8. Command. Lieut.
K. M. A. Barnett to command the
2nd Battery during the period
of absence or leave of Captain
Garland and not "3rd Battery" as
stated.

CHANGE OF NAME—MEMBER

2990 Pte. R. B. Quinlan, MMG.
Platoon, has changed his name to
"Bartholomew Sheehan."

APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

Cpl. W. S. Hillier, A.S.C. Coy to
be Sgt. 26.4.40.

L/Cpl. W. Hyde, A.S.C. Coy to
be Sgt. 26.4.40.

L/Cpl. L. D. Purves, A.S.C. Coy
to be Cpl. 26.4.40.

Pte. J. Wolfe, A.S.C. Coy to be
L/Cpl. 26.4.40.

Pte. F. Hall, A.S.C. Coy to be
L/Cpl. 26.4.40.

Pte. B. E. Sugars, A.S.C. Coy to
be L/Cpl. 26.4.40.

Edm. B. J. Murray, 1st Bty. to
be Grn. (at own request). 26.4.40.

Sgt. J. J. King. Corps Sixs, to be
Signm. (at own request). 26.4.40.

LEAVE

L/Cpl. R. F. K. Jones No. 1 Coy.
27.4.40—26.6.40.

Pte. D. Hardwick, No. 2 Coy.
28.4.40—28.6.40.

Pte. G. H. Aman, No. 3 Coy.
15.4.40—31.12.40.

L/Cpl. R. F. K. Jones, No. 1 Coy.
27.4.40—26.6.40.

Pte. T. C. Monaghan, No. 1 Coy.
14.6.40—14.9.40.

STRENGTH-DECREASE

Pte. R. G. Gray, No. 1 Coy.
27.1.40.

Pte. R. F. Sutherland, No. 2 Coy.
16.4.40.

Grn. D. Kelvin-Stark, 5th AA
Bty., 28.4.40.

L/Brd. T. Fung, 4th Bty., 13.4.40.

Pte. T. B. L. Khaw, No. 3 Coy.
22.4.40.

STRENGTH-INCREASE

Pte. C. L. Clarke, Fd. Ambu-
lance, 17.4.40.

Pte. Chan King, No. 7 Company,
18.4.40.

Signm. W. Vallessuk, Corps
Signals, 19.4.40.

Grn. W. C. Low, 1st Battery,
22.4.40.

NOTICE

Corps Annual Dinner

The Corps Annual Dinner and
Prize Giving will this year take
the form of a Smoking Concert at
which the prizes will be presented,
to be held from 9.30 at Volunteer
H.Q. on Friday May 17.

Entrance, which will be free, is
limited to members and ex-
members of the Corps and official
guests. There will be no private
guests.

For further particulars apply to:

H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

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Books of tickets for the pur- chase of refreshments will be on

sale in the Officers' and Sergeants'
Messes and in the Canteen, from

1st May and will also be available

on the parade ground from 9.30

p.m. on May 17. Chits for re-
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declare that a decision to to
inaugurate a strict control of
German imports and exports by
air, was reached at the recent
meeting of the Allied Supreme
War Council, despite the im-
mense difficulties involved. The
step is due to the fact that air
traffic between Germany and
many neutrals has reached huge
figures, largely surpassing pre-war
figures. All sorts of goods, includ-
ing some heavy ones, are being
transported. (Havas).

Consignees are hereby informed
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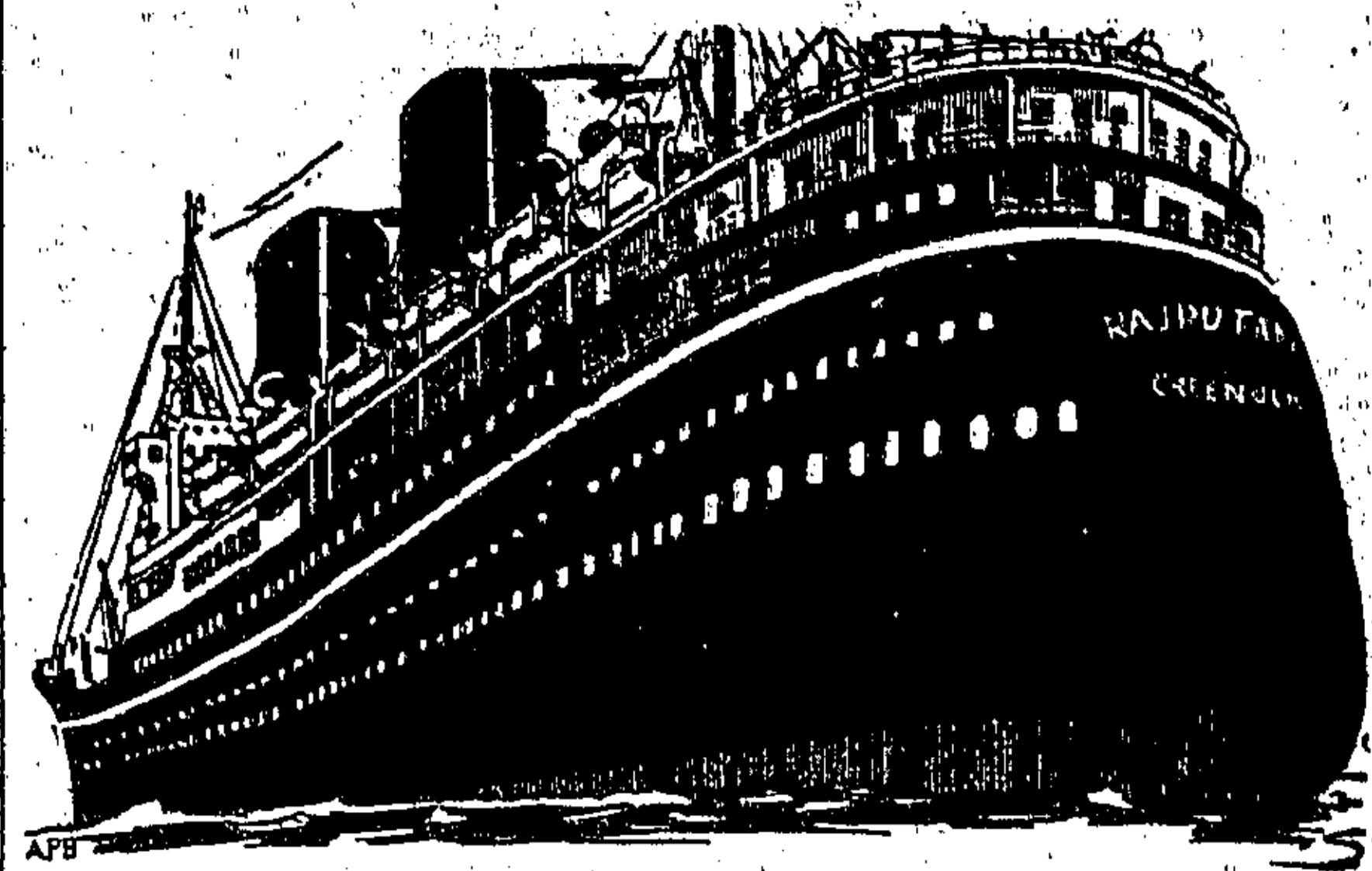
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